

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 30TH, 2015



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:

SATURDAY AUGUST 29TH:

5:00 pm Nardiello & Garafola Families

SUNDAY AUGUST 30TH:

7:30 am Jerry & Louise Esposito & Anthony Ferrantelli
9:00 am Michael Melfi
10:30 am Louis Colacurto
NOON Helen & Fredrick Blossfeld

MONDAY AUGUST 31ST:

7:30 am For our parishioners

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST:

7:15 am Pauline Pellegrino
8:30 am John Tuzzio

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND:

7:15 am Jane Lincoln
8:30 am Gracelynn Langone Sebiniano

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD:

7:17 am Charles D'Ambra
8:30 am Margaret Santangelo

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH:

7:15 am Patricia Hermansen
8:30 am Katherine Riccio

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH:

8:00 am Rose Magliocco
5:00 pm Michael Mazzella & Carmela Rubins

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH:

7:30 am Charles & Anna Campione
9:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Maguire
10:30 am Molly & Billy Horgan
NOON Mrs. Irene Caccavo

AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:

SATURDAY AUGUST 29TH:

5:00 pm Leo Gniewkowski

SUNDAY AUGUST 30TH:

8:00 am Frank Ottomanelli
11:00 am Leocadia Wicinski

MONDAY AUGUST 31ST:

7:30 am For All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND:

7:30 am Leo Gniewkowski

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH:

7:30 am Hermania Manaluz

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH:

5:00 pm John Cincotta

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH:

8:00 am Richard Sullivan & Eileen Sullivan Meurer
11:00 am Richard Modzelewski, Sr.

Monthly envelopes for the Aug. 50/50 drawing are available in the back of St. Anthony's Church. Fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF AUG. 30TH:



The **ALTAR BREADS & WINES** this week are in memory of:

JEAN & FRANK SPISTO

lovingly requested by Liz and Grace.



Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary Lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday - Friday, 10:00 AM – 4 PM.



YOUTH CHOIR MEMBERS

All are welcome to sing at Father John's Installation Mass on Sunday, September 27th at 3:00 pm. If interested, it is important to call Ron D'Albero, our Music Director, at 347-770-3477, for details and to reserve seating at the Mass.

INSTALLATION OF FATHER JOHN AS PASTOR

The Most Reverend John O'Hara, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, will solemnly install **Father John Wroblewski** as pastor of the new parish of Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua, on **Sunday, September 27th, 2015, at 3:00 pm.** Following Mass there will be a reception in the parish gymnasium. Everyone is invited for this happy occasion. Kindly RSVP via the enclosed flyer or call the parish office at 718-761-5421 so that we can plan for the food. You can also call St. Anthony's Rectory at 718-761-6660.

MORNING DEVOTIONS



Following weekday 7:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On Fridays there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On Saturday following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said. At St. Anthony of Padua there is recitation of the rosary and devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses.

RCIA PROGRAM

The RCIA Program invites you to meet on Wed. at 7:30 pm in Our Lady of Pity Parish Center. No registration necessary. There is NO FEE for this program.

***NOTE TO ALL PARISHIONERS**

If you attend Mass at either church, you can drop your weekly envelope(s) in the collection and it will be sent to the site where you are registered.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of St. Anthony Church. Thank you and God bless!



SAVE THE DATE **SEPTEMBER 19TH**

Our Lady of Pity - St. Anthony of Padua Church will be holding its **“Annual Family Day Picnic”** on **Saturday September 19TH** at Our Lady of Pity. The event begins at 11:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm. All are invited - bring your family and friends. Many surprises for the children are planned for the day. Further details will follow in upcoming bulletins. **A volunteer sheet is set up in the vestibule of both Churches.**



GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees observed some of Jesus’ disciples eating without first purifying their hands and ask the disciples why they are going against their ancestors’ traditions. Jesus responds that nothing from the outside can make a person impure. The only true evil acts, such as fornication, murder, and greed among others, come from within and make a person impure.

HIS WORD TODAY

“All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth.... Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls.... Religion is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.... Be doers of the word and not just hearers.”

Everything is a gift – life, the next breath you take, the world around us. Yet, ... we often fail to acknowledge the source of all that is good. Unfortunately, we presume it.

Take a minute to reflect on the word that has been planted in you. Welcome it anew. Paul tells us it has power, power to do great things. The word once planted needs to be cultivated, strengthened and allowed to grow. We create the conditions to allow that to happen. As our faith grows, action follows and is expressed in countless ways. From Old Testament times through the Acts of the Apostles widows and orphans were of paramount concern. Social outreach is not just a ‘nice thing’; it is the essence of the gospel, the fruit of the efforts of missionary disciples.

What gift do I have which can be brought to someone else? Maybe the Father sent it to me to bring to someone in need. How well have I cultivated the word planted in me?

BEREAVEMENT

“Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.”
-Matthew 5:4.

Our Bereavement Minister, Deacon Michael Venditto, is available to assist anyone who has experienced a loss. Call the rectory (718-761-5421) weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm to set up an appointment with Deacon Michael.

ELECTRONIC GIVING (PARISH PAY PROGRAM)

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log onto www.parishpay.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1.

CARDINAL’S 2015 APPEAL

Congratulations! Our Lady of Pity has reached its goal of \$71,000 for the Cardinal’s Appeal. Thank you to all the parishioners who generously donated to support these programs for the Church.

OUR LADY OF PITY SITE:

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH:

5:00 pm J. Salcedo – J. Almero

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH:

7:30 am T. Hanley – V. Laperuta

9:00 am M/M Violetta

10:30 am M/M Marro

NOON M/M Terracino

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 5TH:

5:00 pm M. Salcedo

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH:

7:30 am S. Kelly

9:00 am M. Donadic

10:30 am D. Konszynski

NOON N. Tricorico

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH:

5:00 pm M. Maguire – I. Maguire – J. Venditto

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH:

7:30 am J. Clyne – M. Zerega

9:00 am J. Inigo – J. Gonzalez – D. Boniface –
A. Boniface

10:30 am R. Eckman – J. Flood – E. Baria –
Rbt. Eckman

NOON R. Whalen – N. Lopez – J. Tangco

MARRIAGE BANNES

SECOND: Robert Grosseto and Jennifer Tousson

ADOPTION?

Baby girls and boys in China need homes both infants and toddlers. Older parents and singles are welcome. For further information call Barbara from St. Anthony’s Church in Nanuet, New York, at 845-623-5277.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a Certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. They must be registered in either Church for at least 3 months or known by one of the priests. **Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy NOT IN THE RECTORY.**



SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OUR LADY OF PITY – ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

REGISTRATION CLOSES AUGUST 31. Wednesday sessions are already filled. Grades 1 & 2 should sign up for Thursdays. Registration forms are available from both sites. Bring them to the parish office at the rectory at Our Lady of Pity. M-T 9-5; W, T, F 9-7; Sat 10-1.

New children and those coming from St. Anthony of Padua should provide a copy of child's Baptism Certificate. If coming from another School of Religion, a transfer form from that school is necessary.

REGISTRATION WILL ALSO BE HELD AFTER ALL THE MASSES AT OUR LADY OF PITY PARISH CENTER AUGUST 29 & 30.

TEACHER MEETINGS -Tues. Sept. 1 at 10:00 am and 6:30 pm. at the Parish Center. Choose whichever time is convenient for you.

PARENT MEETINGS - Sept. 16 and 17 at 7:30 pm in Our Lady of Pity Church. Choose whichever day is convenient for you.

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 28

All classes will be held at Our Lady of Pity Parish Center.

NEW BIBLE STUDY

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass



This five-part program takes participants on an exciting tour of the Liturgy as it explores the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. See, perhaps for the first time, why we say what we say and do what we do every week at Mass. The words and gestures will be seen in a new light, giving new life to the liturgical experience. We will use DVDs of Dr. Edward Sri.

The classes, facilitated by Sister Marcia, will be held on Monday evenings 7:30-9:00 pm and Friday mornings at 9:30-11:00 am, starting the week of October 19, 2015 at Our Lady of Pity Parish Center. Cost is \$20.00. Reservations can be made at the rectory 718-761-5421.

PARISH EVENTS

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Lady of Pity: Second Sunday of the month Mass at 10:30 am; that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. **St. Anthony of Padua:** Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass.

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETINGS

Our Lady of Pity Rosary Altar Club: Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. **St. Anthony of Padua Ladies Auxiliary:** Meet on the first Wed. of the month at 7 pm in the Church basement.



JOIN THE CHOIRS

All Choir practices at Our Lady of Pity are suspended for the summer months. New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to the organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses.

The Adult Choir will begin practicing on Wednesday Sept. 16th at 8 pm in the Parish Center.

The Youth Choir will have rehearsals on Wednesdays from 7 to 8 pm in the Parish Center beginning on September 30th. There has been a change in the Youth Choir Sunday. **Beginning on Sunday Oct. 18th the New Youth Choir will be singing at the 9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity.** For information call our Music Director Ron at 347-770-3477.

Choir at St. Anthony of Padua meets on Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Church.

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners from St. Anthony of Padua's Church to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. Following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center
(Club is suspended during Aug. It resumes Sept. 29th)
Legion of Mary Thurs. 7:30 pm Church Chapel

BUS TRIP TO OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

Doylestown, PA - 50th Annual Polish Festival

Sun. Sept 13th. Mass at 11:00 am - Mummers & Philadelphia String Band to Perform. Includes: Admission, Bus and Gratuities. Cost: 30 people - \$60 per person / 40 people - \$50 per person (cost determined according to number booked) call: Deacon Joe Rentkowski at 718-727-4567.

BUS TRIP TO FATIMA SHRINE IN NJ

Celebrate Our Blessed Mother's Birthday

Saturday, September 5, 2015, 7:00 am – 6:00 pm
Blue Army Fatima Shrine in Washington, NJ, Mass, rosary, confession.

Meet at St. Sylvester, 854 Targee St. The bus will be on Rhine Ave. between Clove Rd and Baltic Ave. Park on the streets or convent parking lot inside the school compound. Bus leaves at 7:30 am promptly. The bus leaves the shrine at 6:00 pm. Cost \$35. Make checks payable to Thelma Hanley or Tita Payomo.

Send name, address, phone or cell number with check to Thelma Hanley at 40D Dinsmore St. 10314 or Tita Payomo, 58 Fayette Ave 10305. For more information call Tita at 718-442-2198 or Thelma 917-991-0623.

First come, first served. Dress in modest attire.

BUS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

To Tropicana Casino. **Date: Tues., September 8, 2015**
9:00 am departure from in front of Our Lady of Pity Church.
Cost: \$36 with \$25 back. Call Agnes at 718-494-5475

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!" Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help your marriage / holy orders be strong and fearless. For more information go to www.wwme.org or call 1-877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).



CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place at Our Lady of Pity gym on Friday Oct. 16th at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 7 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.00, which includes tickets for prizes. The book of chances has remained the same in cost (\$15.00) as past years. Prizes: \$2,000, \$500, \$300. Chances will be available at St. Anthony of Padua Church (yellow basket in back of the church) and at the auction as well. Upon receipt of your Chance Books, either return them by mail, put them in the Sunday collection baskets or drop them off at one of the rectories. **All books are to be returned even if not taken.... Thank you for your generosity to this event.**

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GORETTI GROUP EVENT AND CONCERT

Dawn Eden, former rock journalist, author of "Thrill of the Chaste" and "My Peace I Give You" and Catholic convert from Judaism, will be sharing about "How the Sacred Heart of Jesus Healed My Memories" on Friday, September 4th from 7 pm to 9:30 pm. Join us for an organ concert by Chris Houlihan at 7:00 pm followed by Mass with Bishop Byrne at 7:30 pm and talk at 8 pm. Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Road, Staten Island 10314).



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN PHILADELPHIA

September 22-25, 2015

Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive

The World Meeting of Families will take place at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia from Tuesday-Friday, September 22-25, 2015.

Pope Francis will visit at the close of the Congress September 26-27. For information about attending either event see <http://www.worldmeeting2015.org>

PREPARING FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Reflect upon these themes from the Love Is Our Mission preparatory text to help deepen your understanding of the Church's beautiful teachings on the family:

- **Created for Joy:** God created us in his image and likeness with a plan for our lives. Amid the many difficulties and uncertainties of life, our mission is to follow Christ, discover his plan for us, and enter into relationships centered on love, service, and worship of him. + How might we follow Christ more intentionally at home, in the workplace, and in our community?
- **The Mission of Love:** God seeks to heal a broken universe by calling us to share his eternal love and commitment to his people with the world. One of the ways that God's love is best reflected is through the sacrament of marriage. + What are some ways that we ensure our marriage is built on a solid foundation of commitment, trust, love, and service?

GOLD STAR POST - AMERICAN LEGION GOLDEN JACKPOT

The Gold Star Post is selling tickets for a Golden Jackpot Fund Raiser. Only 300 tickets will be sold. **Each ticket is \$50.** The prizes are \$5,000; \$2,000 and \$500 (prizes may vary if all tickets are not sold). The drawing will be held on September 12, 2015, at the Post's "Seafood Picnic". To reserve a ticket number call Ed Matusiak (718) 698-0237.

SCHEDULE: 2015 VISIT OF POPE FRANCIS TO NEW YORK

Here is the schedule for Pope Francis' September 2015 Apostolic Journey to New York as released by the Vatican on June 30, 2015.

Thursday, September 24

- 5:00 p.m. Arrival at John F. Kennedy International Airport
- 6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St. Patrick's Cathedral

Friday, September 25

- 8:30 a.m. Visit to the United Nations and Address to the United Nations General Assembly
- 11:30 a.m. Multi-religious service at 9/11 Memorial and Museum, World Trade Center
- 4:00 p.m. Visit to Our Lady Queen of Angels School, East Harlem
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at Madison Square Garden

CYM YOUTH FEST

October 17, 2015, at Moore Catholic High School, 10 am to 5 pm. Featuring Father Augustino Torres, CFR. Talk, skits, music, dancing performance. Bishop Peter J. Byrne will celebrate Mass at 4:00 pm. "My favorite part of CYM Youth Fest was listening to all of the stories and how God changed their lives." – Guadalupe. "I liked when we heard the band, the rappers and the skit." – Michael. "There's nothing not to like." – Lucero

BINGO

St. John Villa Academy Alumnae Association Bingo Fundraiser, Friday, September 18 in the High School Cafeteria located at 25 Landis Avenue. Doors open at 7 pm. Total cost is \$20 (\$10 admission and \$10 gift certificate in a gift bag) which includes bingo boards, coffee and cake; water and soda will be sold or you can bring your own food. Raffles, lucky bingo balls and 50/50 will also be sold. Reservations are strongly advised. For more information, please contact Toni Ann Tobin at sjvaasketauktion@gmail.com

NEVER FORGET

We will soon mark the 14th anniversary of September 11. Staten Island, which was so deeply affected by this tragedy, will prepare for the day with the annual Eve of Solemn Remembrance to be held on Thursday September 10 at St. Peter's Church, 53 St. Mark's Place, Staten Island. Bishop John O'Hara will be the principal celebrant and homilist for the Mass that begins at 7:30 pm. This will be followed by a candlelight procession and Benediction. Please come and pray for those who died, their loved ones and, most especially, for peace in our world.

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

Welcome Back Mass and Wine & Cheese Social

Saint Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will meet at Holy Family Church, 366 Watchogue Road, SI 10314, on Thursday, September 24, 7:15 pm. Join us as we anoint a new SFCS season with the celebration of Mass at Holy Family. Confessions will be heard from 6:45-7:15. Mass will begin at 7:30. A wine and cheese social will follow in the lower level of the church where we'll mingle and enjoy one another's company. Cost: \$10 appreciated. For more information, check our website: www.sgspsi.org, find us on Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, or email sfcssi@gmail.com.

SOCCKER PROGRAM

There will be a Soccer Clinic once again at Our Lady of Pity Site run by Mr. Raul Maturana for children ages 7-11. 20 sessions: from Wed. Sept. 9 through Sat. Nov. 14. Wed. at the gym 7:30-8:30 pm; Sat. time and place to be determined. There will be a \$50.00 registration fee for each child attending the clinic. Watch for upcoming flyer.

Please remember without the many advertises in the weekly bulletin we would not be able to produce our bulletins, so please patronize those businesses listed as advertises each week.



PIG ROAST

At Trattoria Romana Restaurant, 1476 Hylan Blvd. SI Tuesday, October 13, 2015 from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Includes: Salad, Pizza, Pig Roast, Potatoes, Broccoli Rabe, Desert, Coffee, Tea, Soda & Cash Bar. Cost: \$50 per person in advance Contact: Deacon Joe Rentkowski 718-727-4567.

DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thursday, December 3, 2015 Hilton Garden Inn, S. I. Cost \$100 per person Includes: Show, Dinner, Wine & Soda, Dessert. Contact: Deacon Joe Rentkowski 718-727-4567.

UPCOMING TRIP OF POPE FRANCIS...please do not call the rectory concerning distribution of tickets. When the Archdiocese is ready to send them to parishes with instructions, it will be posted in the bulletin.

SAINTLY ADVICE

Do you want to honor Christ's body? Then do not honor him here in this church with silken garments while neglecting him outside where he is cold and naked. For he who said: This is my body, and made it so by his words, also said: "You saw me hungry and did not feed me, and inasmuch as you did not do it for one of these, the least of my brothers, you did not do it for me." What we do here in this church requires a pure heart, not special garments; what we do outside requires great dedication.

- St. John Chrysostom

2015 THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

The term "consecrated life" may be new in the Catholic vocabulary. Formerly, we spoke about "the religious life" and "the religious vocation." Consecrated Life is a wider umbrella which describes people who commit themselves by a sacred bond to live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience. Some live out this surrender to God in communities which include Religious Orders and Congregations, and Secular Institutes. There are also two ways in which consecrated life can be lived by an individual, that is, as a Hermit and/or Consecrated Virgin. These two forms of consecration are known as ecclesial consecrations because they came directly from the Church, not through a founder or foundress.

Prayer to Know One's Vocation

Lord, my God and my loving Father, you have made me to know you, to love you, to serve you, and thereby to find and to fulfill my deepest longings. I know that you are in all things, and that every path can lead me to you.

But of them all, there is one especially by which you want me to come to you. Since I will do what you want of me, I pray you, send your Holy Spirit to me: into my mind, to show me what you want of me; into my heart, to give me the determination to do it, and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all of my strength right to the end. Jesus, I trust in you. Amen



THE SICK

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshiping community is called to pray for the sick or elderly in their parish. It is a privilege to ask Our Lord to heal and strengthen the sick. **The Prayer List for the Sick** is our way of reaching out to our parishioners, young and elderly, who have received a critical diagnosis and are unable to go about the routines of life:

Brook Balacco, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Paul Davis, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Frank Sanna, Ann Volpe.

The listed names above for those asking for prayers has been updated according to months on the list.

Those remaining have been reinstated by parishioners calling after the six month period. If anyone wishes to put a name back or to add a new name of a parishioner who is sick please contact the rectory Mon.-Fri. from 9 am to 5 pm.

SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, notify the girls at the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

**COINCIDENCE IS WHEN GOD
CHOOSES
TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS!**